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SUBJECT: SOVIET OFFERS OF URANIUM ENRICHMENT SERVICES TO JAPAN

A VISITING SOVIET NUCLEAR POWER DELEGATION HAS OFFERED TO PROCESS JAPANESE SUPPLIED URANIUM BEGINNING AS EARLY AS 1976. THE SOVIET TEAM REPORTEDLY INDICATED WILLINGNESS TO MEET ALL OF JAPAN'S ENRICHING REQUIREMENTS IN 1990. AMONG THE SELLING POINTS WERE CLAIMS THAT SOVIET TERMS (INCLUDING PRICE) ARE BETTER THAN THOSE OF THE US AEC, AND THAT PRIOR NPT RATIFICATION--A PERSISTENT POLITICAL PROBLEM IN TOKYO--WOULD NOT BE REQUIRED. THE JAPANESE ARE PROBABLY NOT INTRIGUED BY THE IDEA--EVEN ASSUMING IT IS OTHERWISE FEASIBLE--OF PLACING A HIGH PROPORTION OF THEIR NUCLEAR POWER FUTURE IN

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